NEWS FROM BATH;

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A true and perfect Relation of the great and ſplendid Proceſſion, and joyful Tranſactions there, on the 11*th* day of *April*; being the Coronation-day of Their moſt Sacred Majeſties *WILLIAM* and *MARY*, King and Queen of *England*, *Scotland*, *France*, and *Ireland*.

A Great number of the beſt Quality of the City of *Bath*, in Teſtimony of the greateſt Joy, Satisfaction, and Gratitude for their happy deliverance from *POPERY* and *SLAVERY*, by Their Majeſties univerſal Care and Protection, and as an Index, that honeſt Principles, love for the Proteſtant Religion throughout the World, and Seeds of Vertue have ſtill remained in their Breaſts, (this being the firſt time, of late, they have been able, and without danger, to ſhew them to the World) did on that glorious day, make it appear in this manner; *Firſt*, One hundred of young Men in Holland Shirts, richly adorned, with naked Swords in their Hands, all in order, according to Warlike Diſcipline, as a Protection to the ſucceeding Train of Two hun-

dred Virgins, with Crowns on their Heads, and Scepters in their Hands, girt with Bagonetts, and clad in rich Attire, with two Flaggs carried in the midſt of them, with theſe Motto's, (*GOD SAVE KING* WILLIAM *AND QUEEN* MARY, *AND LET THEIR ENEMIES PERISH*) in the other (*THIS IS A JOYFUL DAY.*) Next, after the *Scythian* manner, an Amazon Dame, as General of that Warlike Sex, with a Truncheon in her Hand, gilt with Gold, with a Velvet Eſcallopp'd Veſture made for that purpoſe, and covered all with Gold Lace, with a Plume of Crimſon Feathers on her Head; a light Peruque; and a Golden Saſh round about her Waſt, with all other Accoutrements of War uſed by the *Scythians*, marched at the Head of twenty four more of her own Sex, dreſt after the ſame manner, and equally attired with the General, with Darts and Javelins in their Hands, and their right Paps ſo artificially concealed, that the Spectators thought them cut off, to compleat the ſimilitude. Next to them, in great order, marched thirty more young Gentlewomen, eight whereof being Married, and all very richly adorned, having Bows and Arrows in their Hands, gilded with Gold, each with this Motto fix'd to her Breaſt in Gold Letters, (*RATHER THAN LOSE THE DAY WE'LL FIGHT*) and on their right Shoulders, Scarves laced with Point; and on their Heads, Crowns of Lawrel, with a rich Flagg carried in the midſt of them, wrought in Silver with the ſame Motto; all ſorts of Muſick being regularly placed in their March. On this ſplended Proceſſion attended all the Militia of the City, with Drums beating, Colours flying, and Acclamations of unforced Joy, exceeding what was ever ſeen in that City, the Country far and near being Spectators! After all theſe had marched twice round the Town in great order, they entred the Town Hall, where was a ſumptuous Banquet ſet in a convenient Room for that purpoſe, and by the permiſſion of the Amazon's the young Gentlemen had leave to partake thereof; after which they Danced all Night. The deſirable occaſion of all theſe things made the Expences, though great, yet pleaſant; and all the time ſpent in the Preparation and Proceſſion, with the addition of the whole Night, little, for a Day of ſuch univerſal and unfeigned Joy.

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